

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method of processing a silver halide
photosensitive material comprising:

processing, with a developer in which a solution
5 physical development arises, the silver halide
photosensitive material containing at least one
compound selected from the group consisting of
compounds of the following types 1 to 4:

(Type 1)

10 a compound capable of undergoing a one-electron
oxidation to thereby form a one-electron oxidation
product thereof, wherein the one-electron oxidation
product is capable of releasing further two or more
electrons accompanying a subsequent bond cleavage
15 reaction;

(Type 2)

a compound capable of undergoing a one-electron
oxidation to thereby form a one-electron oxidation
product thereof, wherein the one-electron oxidation
20 product is capable of releasing further one electron
accompanying a subsequent carbon-carbon bond cleavage
reaction, and the compound having, in its molecule, two
or more groups adsorptive to silver halide;

(Type 3)

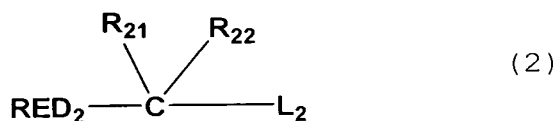
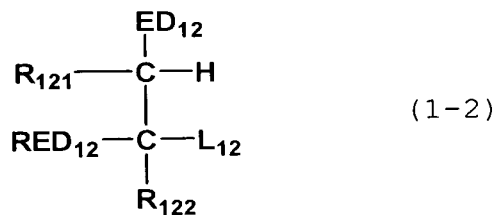
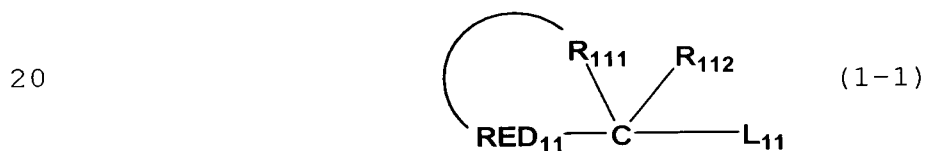
25 a compound capable of undergoing a one-electron
oxidation to thereby form a one-electron oxidation
product thereof, wherein the one-electron oxidation

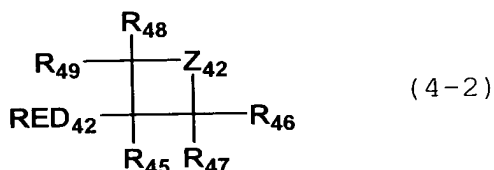
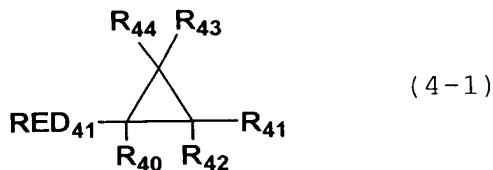
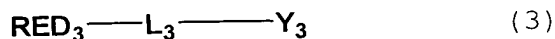
product is capable of releasing further one or more electrons after going through a subsequent bond forming reaction; and

(Type 4)

5 a compound capable of undergoing a one-electron oxidation to thereby form a one-electron oxidation product thereof, wherein the one-electron oxidation product is capable of releasing further one or more electrons after going through a subsequent
10 intramolecular ring cleavage reaction.

2. The method of processing a silver halide photosensitive material according to claim 1, wherein the compound of type 1 is represented by the following general formula (1-1) or (1-2), the compound of type 2
15 is represented by the following general formula (2), the compound of type 3 is represented by the following formula (3), and the compound of type 4 is represented by the following formula (4):





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wherein in the general formula (1-1), RED₁₁ represents a reducing group; L₁₁ represents a split-off group; R₁₁₂ represents a hydrogen atom or substituent; and R₁₁₁ represents a group of nonmetallic atoms capable of forming a cyclic structure corresponding to a tetrahydro form, hexahydro form or octahydro form of a 5-membered or 6-membered aromatic ring (including an aromatic heterocycle) together with the carbon atom (C) and RED₁₁,

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wherein in the general formula (1-2), RED₁₂ and L₁₂ have the same meanings as those of RED₁₁ and L₁₁ of the general formula (1-1), respectively; each of R₁₂₁ and R₁₂₂ represents a hydrogen atom or substituent capable of substituting on the carbon atom; and ED₁₂ represents an electron-donating group, wherein the groups R₁₂₁ and RED₁₂, the groups R₁₂₁ and R₁₂₂, or the groups ED₁₂ and RED₁₂ may be bonded with each other to thereby form a cyclic structure,

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wherein in the general formula (2), RED₂ has the same meaning as that of RED₁₂ of the general formula

(1-2); L_2 represents a split-off group; and each of R_{21} and R_{22} represents a hydrogen atom or substituent, wherein RED_2 and R_{21} may be bonded with each other to thereby form a cyclic structure, provided that the compound represented by the general formula (2) is
5 a compound having, in its molecule, two or more groups adsorptive to silver halide,

wherein in the general formula (3), RED_3 has the same meaning as RED_{12} of the general formula (1-2);

10 Y_3 represents a reactive group having a carbon-carbon double bond moiety or a carbon-carbon triple bond moiety, which moiety being capable of forming a new bond by reacting with a one-electron oxidized RED_3 , and L_3 represents a linking group that links between RED_3 and Y_3 ,
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wherein in the general formulae (4-1) and (4-2), each of RED_{41} and RED_{42} has the same meaning as RED_{12} of the general formula (1-2); each of R_{40} to R_{44} and R_{45} to R_{49} represents a hydrogen atom or substituent; and in the general formula (4-2), Z_{42} represents
20 $-CR_{420}R_{421}-$, $-NR_{423}-$ or $-O-$, wherein each of R_{420} and R_{421} represents a hydrogen atom or substituent; and R_{423} represents a hydrogen atom, alkyl group, aryl group or heterocyclic group.

25 3. The method of processing a silver halide photosensitive material according to claim 1, wherein the compound selected from the group consisting of

those of types 1 to 4 is one having, in its molecule, an adsorptive group or a partial structure of sensitizing dye.

4. A silver halide reversal photosensitive material comprising at least one compound selected from the group consisting of those of types 1 to 4 described in claim 1.

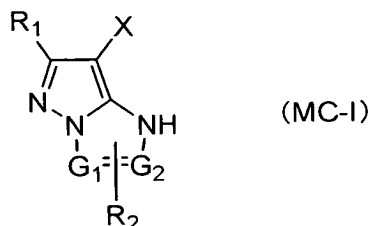
5. The silver halide reversal photosensitive material according to claim 4, wherein the silver halide reversal photosensitive material has a photosensitive layer containing a silver halide emulsion, on a support, and the at least one compound selected from the group consisting of those of types 1 to 4 is incorporated in the silver halide emulsion.

6. The silver halide reversal photosensitive material according to claim 4, wherein the silver halide reversal photosensitive material has a layer containing at least one compound whose oxidation potential is in the range of 0.18 to 0.90 eV.

7. The silver halide reversal photosensitive material according to claim 4, wherein the silver halide reversal photosensitive material contains silver halide emulsion grains each having a shell provided on a core, wherein the shell is formed with silver halide after a chemical sensitization step and the average shell thickness of each grain is 20 nm or less.

8. The silver halide reversal photosensitive

material according to claim 4, wherein the silver
halide reversal photosensitive material is a color
reversal photosensitive material containing at least
one azole magenta coupler represented by the following
5 general formula (MC-I):



wherein R_1 represents a hydrogen atom or
substituent; one of G_1 and G_2 represents a carbon atom,
10 and the other represents a nitrogen atom; and R_2
represents a substituent that substitutes one of G_1 and
 G_2 which is a carbon atom, wherein R_1 and R_2 may
further have a substituent, a polymer of the general
formula (MC-I) may be formed via R_1 or R_2 , and polymer
15 chain may be bonded via R_1 or R_2 ; X represents a
hydrogen atom or a group that is capable of splitting
off by a coupling reaction with an oxidized aromatic
primary amine color developing agent.